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composition of claim 20, and the antigenic composition of claim 19[, the antisera of claim 23, the vector of claim 12, the transformed cell of claim 14, and the antibodies of claim 24].

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38. (Once Amended) The protein of any one of claims 1, 4, or 6[, 16 and 17], wherein the protein binds to heparin or heparan-sulfate.

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39. (Once Amended) The protein of any one of claims 1, 4, or 6[, 16 or 17], wherein the protein is an outer membrane protein.

REMARKS

The claims are amended merely to put them into proper format for U.S. practice and avoid improperly multiply dependent claims. No new matter is added.

Respectfully submitted,

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